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REMARKS

Species I, characterized by the Examiner as a "first technique, comprising adding lifetime limiting information to the information picture;" Species II, characterized by the Examiner as a "second technique comprising storing of history relating to recording/updating of information picture;" and

Species III, characterized by the Examiner as a "third technique, comprising limiting server transmitted traffic on the basis of information relating to information picture."

It is submitted that the claims present in this application are not easily categorized or grouped into the species as identified by the Examiner. Nevertheless, to comply with the requirement for responding to this election of species, Applicant submits that claims 1-5 and 14-19 fall more closely into Species I defined by the Examiner; and Applicant elects, without traverse, claims 1-5 and 14-19 for further prosecution in this application.

Additionally, it is noted that claims 1, 4, 5 and 14-19 also fall into Species II and Species III defined by the Examiner and, thus, claims 1, 4, 5 and 14-19 are generic claims. Consistent with MPEP § 821.04(a), if one or more of these generic claims eventually is allowed, the election of species requirement with respect to all claims that depend from or include the recitations thereof will be withdrawn and such claims likewise will be allowed.

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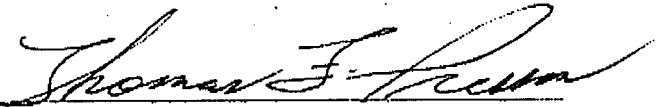
Applicant reserve his right to file a divisional application, if necessary, to proceed
with the examination of the non-elected claims.

The notice of allowance of the claims of this application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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